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SPIDER-MAN™

SM-1

"I can never permit one innocent being to come to harm...because Spider-Man failed to act!"
–AMAZING SPIDER-MAN #50, July 1967

Real Name: Peter Parker
First Appearance: AMAZING FANTASY #15, August 1962

Hard to believe that the spectacular Spider-Man has been winning the fight against crime for a solid three decades! From his beginnings as an uncertain teen through adulthood and marriage, this remarkable man with the powers of a human spider has balanced the dangers of being a hero with the everyday troubles we all face...and still comes back as tough as ever! As his Uncle Ben told him long ago, his great power brings equally great responsibility...a lesson that will keep the webhead swinging high for years to come!

WEB-ZINGER: *Spider-Man's late parents were agents of the supertechnological espionage force known as SHIELD, and died in the line of duty!*

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MARY JANE™

SM-2

"Face it, tiger, you just hit the jackpot!"
–AMAZING SPIDER-MAN #42, November 1966

Real Name: Mary Jane Watson-Parker
First Appearance: AMAZING SPIDER-MAN #42, November 1966

No person is more important in Spider-Man's world than the beautiful Mary Jane. For, as Peter Parker's wife, she shares in the burdens and trials that only a super hero's family can know! Close friends since their teenage years, MJ and Peter are now equally close partners in life...and this remarkable woman handles her marriage to Spider-Man with as much ease as she does her career as a top fashion model!

WEB-ZINGER: *Mary Jane is one of the few people ever to deduce on their own that Peter Parker is actually the Amazing Spider-Man!*

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BLACK COSTUME™ SM-3

"It's really weird to have a piece of clothing which obeys my mental commands!"
–AMAZING SPIDER-MAN #256, September 1984

Real Name: Inapplicable
First Appearance: SECRET WARS #8, December 1984

When Spider-Man's familiar red and blue costume was destroyed during the cosmic struggle known as the Secret Wars, an alien device created a new uniform for him–a miraculous black costume that seemed to have a life of its own! At first delighted with his new look, Spidey soon discovered that the costume was in reality an alien symbiote with its own plans–which included taking over Spider-Man's life! With the help of the Fantastic Four, the alien costume was finally subdued...but it has returned more than once to give Spidey his share of trouble!

WEB-ZINGER: *Spider-Man's black costume is responsible for empowering two of Spidey's greatest foes: the super-villain known as Venom and the serial killer called Carnage!*

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ORIGIN

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"With great power there must also come...great responsibility"
–AMAZING FANTASY #15, August 1962

Origin first revealed in:
AMAZING FANTASY #15, August 1962

Peter Parker was just an everyday teenager with everyday problems, until an incredible turn of events changed his life forever! The bite of a radioactive spider gave him the proportionate strength, speed and agility of the creature, plus the ability to cling to any surface! Peter was sure that his new powers would make him an instant celebrity...until the horrible night that his beloved Uncle Ben was killed by a burglar...a burglar he could've captured days before! Since then, Peter has used his great powers to uphold justice as the one-and-only Spider-Man!

WEB-ZINGER: *Spider-Man's first public appearance was as a performer on a nationally broadcast television program!*

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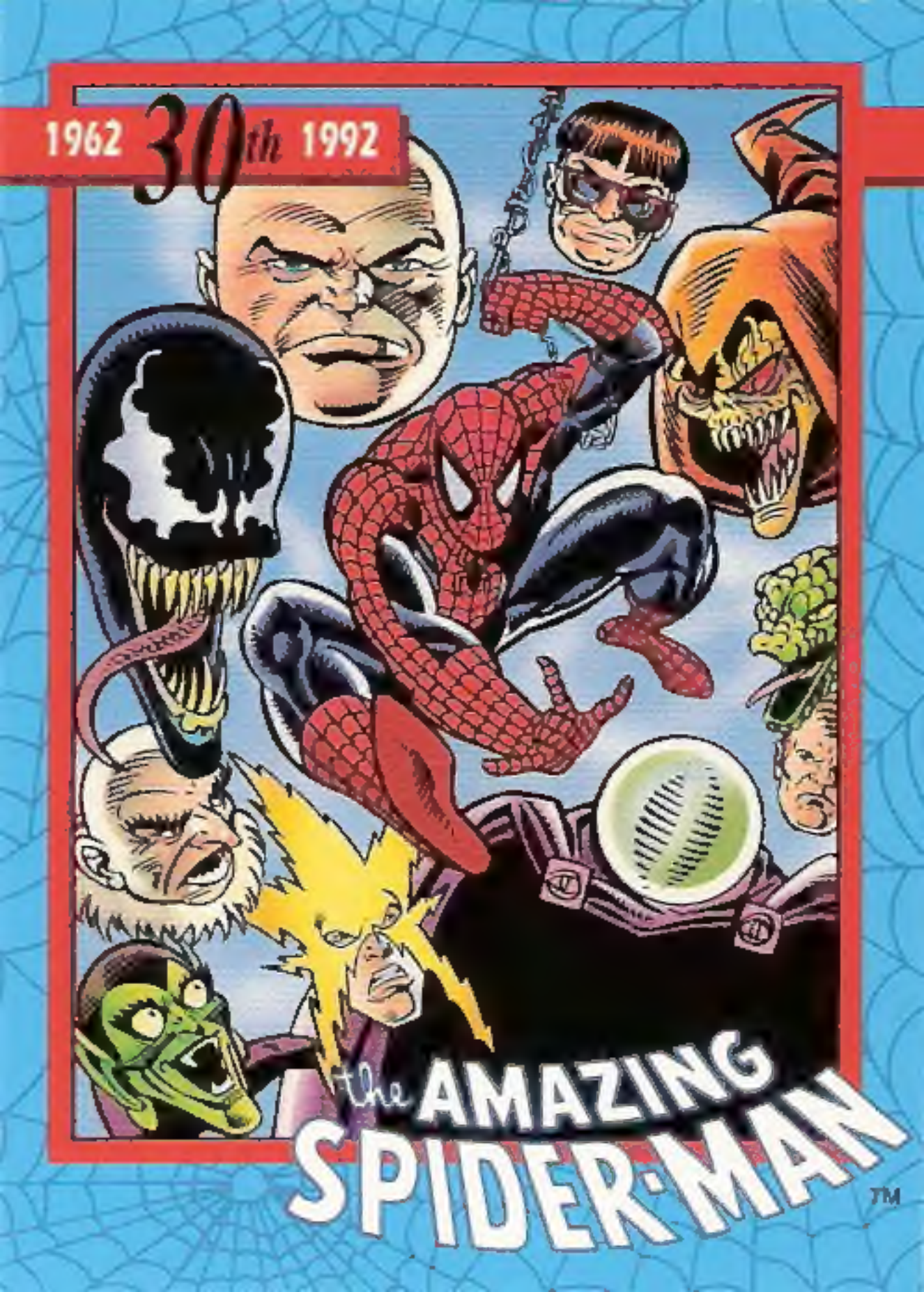
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ENEMIES

SM-5

"I've been Spider-Man for a few years now. I've had hundreds–probably thousands–of fights!"
–SPIDER-MAN #1, August 1990

So remarkable a hero as Spider-Man must have equally remarkable enemies–and Spidey's foes include some of the most fantastic and dangerous super-villains the world has ever known! The criminal genius known as the Kingpin, the multi-limbed Dr. Octopus, the shape-shifting Sandman, the high-flying Vulture, the maniacal Green Goblin, the master of illusion called Mysterio, the hideous Hobgoblin, villainous, vicious Venom–Spidey's taken them all on, and still remains triumphant!

WEB-ZINGER: *On several occasions, a horrific half-dozen of Spidey's deadliest enemies have banded together–led by the diabolical Dr. Octopus–as the Sinister Six!*

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